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In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2004, which set a 3-month shortened statutory period for response thereto, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows.

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. Please find enclosed:

- ☒ Amendment and Request for Reconsideration: 11 pages.
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